

REMARKS

The above-noted amendments to the specification and claims are respectfully submitted in response to the official action dated July 16, 2004. Allowance of Claims 64-74 and 77 are specifically noted with appreciation. In addition, the above-noted amendments are intended to alleviate the objections to claims 75, 76 and 78-80 and are believed to place all of these claims in condition for allowance, which action is therefore respectfully solicited.

Claims 75, 76, 78-80 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. In claim 80, the term "hydroxy thylacrylate" is said to be indefinite. The Examiner questions whether it is intended to be "ethylacrylate." Since the Examiner was correct and this term should have been ethylacrylate, but hyroxy ethylacrylate is already included in claim 78, this inadvertent inclusion has been deleted from claim 78, as well as from claim 69. In addition, the typographical error in claim 78, including a capital "D" in des-methyl has been corrected. Finally, claim 75 has been amended to include a period at the end of the claim.

It is again therefore submitted that all of the above-noted errors in the claims have now been corrected, as has been in the corresponding specification, and that this application is now clearly in condition for allowance, which action is therefore respectfully solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any further objections which may be deemed to exist regarding this application.

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If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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Respectfully submitted,

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